completion of 12 and 24 years of regular service, respectively, as recommended by the 5th Central Pay Commission, while the same is denied to Pharmacists of Allopathic system; if so, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether any proposal is under consideration to finalise the ACP of CGHS Pharmacists; and

(c) if so, by when; if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE [DR. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERM A]: (a) In the cadre of the Ayurvedic, Homoeopathic and Unani Pharmacists in CGHS. Assured Career Progression has been granted in these cadres as they fulfilled all the criteria prescribed under the scheme.

1 st and 2nd Assured Career Progression has not been granted to allopathic Pharmacists working under CGHS as certain clarification is awaited from the Department of Personnel & Training.

(b) and (c) Information has been furnished *vide* reply to (a) above.

Allegation against former Superintendent of Safdarjung Hospital

† 3487. PROF. RAM DEO BHANDARY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the allegations levelled against the former Superintendent of Safdarjung Hospital, Dr. Salhan, by its employees and other persons/institutions;

(b) whether these allegations have been investigated into by Government;

(c) if so, (he details thereof; and

(d) what action is being taken by Government to remove Dr. Salhan from the post of Superintendent?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE [DR. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERM A]: (a) No such information is available.

(c) to (d) Do not arise.

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† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.